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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Hon. Deborah Taylor Tate
Chairman
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37238

Re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.*
Docket No. 03-00497

Dear Chairman Tate:

ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. are hereby submitting to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority the original and fourteen copies of the attached Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated April 24, 2001. The Amendment adds d/b/a Grapevine to the name of the company.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Guy M. Hicks

Enclosure

cc: ITC^DeltaCom, Senior Manager – Industry Relations
ITC^DeltaCom, Director-Regulatory Affairs

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
Nashville, Tennessee

In re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc.
Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*

Docket No. _____

PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE
AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT
NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELL SOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
AND ITC^DELTA COM COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

COME NOW, ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. ("ITC^DeltaCom") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), and file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated April 24, 2001 (the "Amendment") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, ITC^DeltaCom and BellSouth state the following:

1. ITC^DeltaCom and BellSouth have successfully negotiated an agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to ITC^DeltaCom. The Interconnection Agreement was approved by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") on June 26, 2001.
2. The parties have recently negotiated an Amendment to the Agreement. The Amendment adds d/b/a Grapevine to the name of the company.
3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, ITC^DeltaCom and BellSouth are submitting their Amendment to the TRA for its consideration and approval. The Amendment provides that either or both of the parties is authorized to submit the Amendment to the TRA for approval.

4. In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Amendment between BellSouth and ITC^DeltaCom within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

5. ITC^DeltaCom and BellSouth aver that the Amendment is consistent with the standards for approval.

6. Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act, BellSouth shall make the Agreement available upon the same terms and conditions contained therein.

ITC^DeltaCom and BellSouth respectfully request that the TRA approve the Amendment negotiated between the parties.

This 5th day of Sept., 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By: 

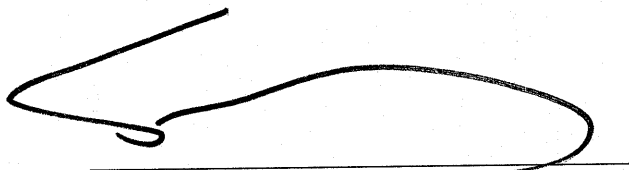
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Guy M. Hicks, hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement on the following via United States Mail, on the 5th day of Sept., 2003:

ITC^DeltaCom
Senior Manager – Industry Relations
1530 DeltaCom Drive
P.O. Box 787
Anniston, AL 36202

ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc.
Director-Regulatory Affairs
4092 S. Memorial Parkway
Huntsville, AL 35802

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Guy M. Hicks', written over a horizontal line.

Guy M. Hicks

**Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement
Between
ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. d/b/a ITC^DeltaCom
and
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
Dated April 24, 2001**

This Amendment is entered into by and between ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. d/b/a ITC^DeltaCom (ITC^DeltaCom) and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties," to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated April 24, 2001 ("Interconnection Agreement") for the state of Tennessee, to be effective upon date of the last signature executing the Amendment.

WHEREAS, ITC^DeltaCom has changed the name of said business to ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. d/b/a ITC^DeltaCom and d/b/a Grapevine (ITC^DeltaCom), an Alabama corporation.

WHEREAS, the Parties desire that the Interconnection Agreement be amended to reflect the correct corporate entity name.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby covenant and agree as follows:

1. The name of ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. d/b/a ITC^DeltaCom in the Interconnection Agreement is hereby deleted throughout the Interconnection Agreement and replaced with ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. d/b/a ITC^DeltaCom and d/b/a Grapevine.

2. All of the other provisions of the Interconnection Agreement, dated April 24, 2001, shall remain in full force and effect.

3. Either or both of the Parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to each Public Service Commission for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives on the date indicated below.

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

By: 

Name:

ELIZABETH R. A. SHIROISHI

Title:

DIRECTOR

Date:

06-27-03

**ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc.
d/b/a ITC^DeltaCom and d/b/a
Grapevine**

By: 

Name:

JERRY WATTS

Title:

VICE PRESIDENT

Date:

6-26-03